

Delaware State Police Arrest Magnolia Man on Weapon Charges Following Traffic Stop- Magnolia

Magnolia-Delaware State Police have arrested 29-year-old **Hershial L. Morris** of Magnolia, DE, on weapon charges following a traffic stop.

On August 30, 2020, at approximately 2:12 p.m., troopers on patrol in the area of Walnut Shade Road and Barney Jenkins Road observed a teal Buick Century traveling westbound with the operator later identified as Morris, not wearing his seatbelt. A traffic stop was conducted on the vehicle, and located in plain view was a loaded .22 CAL Smith & Wesson handgun. Morris and two juvenile passengers were detained without incident, and a criminal vehicle ensued.

Located in Morris's vehicle during a search was the following:

- Loaded .22 CAL Smith & Wesson handgun
- 24 rounds of ammunition
- approximately 2 grams of marijuana.

Morris was taken into custody without incident and transported to Troop 3, where he was charged with the following crimes:

- Possession of a Firearm by Person Prohibited (felony)
- Possession of Ammunition by Person Prohibited (felony)
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon (felony)
- Possession of Marijuana (civil violation)
- Driving while Suspended
- Seatbelt Violation (civil violation)

Morris was arraigned in Justice of the Peace Court #7 and released on his own recognizance. The two juveniles were not

charged and released to their guardians.

the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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